



DRUG RECOGNITION EXPERT EVALUATION & CLASSIFICATION SCHOOL

Date: February 8-19, 2021

Course Fee \$250.00

Location: MCJA Time: 8:00 - 5:00

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Program Description:

The intent of this NHTSA / IACP training course is to identify drivers that may be impaired by drugs. The DRE program will instruct the students, through the use of systematic and standardized examinations, how to determine whether the impairment is due to drugs, and if so, the broad category or combination of categories of drugs that is the likely cause of the observed impairment. Phase I of the training is a two-day pre-school (16 hours) which reviews and enhances information officers previously received in the NHTSA OUI/SFST program. Attendees should be thoroughly familiar with the OUI/SFST skills prior to attending. Phase II of training is a seven-day (56-hour) classroom program during which students receive detailed instruction in the techniques of the drug evaluation examination as well as in physiology, the effects of drugs and legal considerations. Upon completion of this phase of training, the student must pass a comprehensive written examination before proceeding to Phase III of the training, the field certification. The field certification portion of training begins immediately following completion of the classroom training and is conducted at periodic intervals for the next 60 to 90 days. During this portion of the training, students, under the direction of certified instructors, evaluate subjects suspected of being impaired by drugs other than alcohol. After participating in and documenting the results of at least 12 drug evaluations and completing a comprehensive examination, the student is eligible for certification.

Personnel who may attend:

Full time law enforcement officers with a history of enforcing impaired driving laws and working for an agency committed to providing the logistic support necessary for the DRE to function at maximum effectiveness. Applicants will complete a multiphase process including supplemental application, oral board, and mentorship with an active DRE prior to being chosen for the class. Regional need will also be a consideration in choosing the final class.

Prerequisites:

SFST Proficiency. The ARIDE course is recommended but not required. Candidates must bring a laptop computer as manuals are in electronic format. A completed supplemental application will be required from the applicant in order for the DRE Certification Board to prepare for their candidate interview and recommend qualified applicants for the program.

Class Limit: 15 Students